

September 9, 1957

- SUBJECT : 1.) Dr. Walter SCHIEBER, born September 13, 1896 in Balmerstetten, Kreis Ulm, residing in Bopfingen, Kreis Aalen, Am Stadtgraben
- 2.) Kurt BAUER, residing in Hanes, Grannachstr. 1-5
- 3.) Hermann BRAHNE, residing in Tiefenstein near Albstadt, Kreis Sigmaringen.

On July 1, 1957 Dr. SCHIEBER, owner of the firm for Kunststoff and Pasertechnik in Bopfingen, founded in September 1952, applied for opening of a bankrupt procedure. His firm is involved in debts in the amount of DM 522,000. There is suspicion of fraud and breach of trust.

From 1931 Dr. Schieber was an NSDAP member, finally in the rank of an SS-Brigadefuehrer and Gauhauptamtsleiter. In 1939 he became Staatsrat in Thuringia. He was involved in a leading position in the field of manufacturing artificial silk and cellulose material. Prior to and during the war he was designated to watch the formation and organization of such industries in Thuringia and the occupied territories in East and West. He was active in the Speer Ministry and is said to have been called to the Nuremberg trials.

Dr. Schieber is further said to have good contacts to important agencies in the Sovsone and other East Block states. Approximately 4 months ago he was in the Sovsone and claims to have been received by ULBRICHT. It is assumed that the textile industry of the Sovsone is interested in him.

From Dr. Schieber's correspondence it was noted that he is in contact with the persons mentioned above, BAUER and BRAHNE. Both obviously were under arrest in the Sovsone for long period of time.

Information is requested as to whether or not there are any files on Dr. SCHIEBER, BAUER and/or BRAHNE in American agencies.

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